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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/049,718
Filing Date	February 13, 2002
First Named Inventor	Shubh D. SHARMA
Group Art Unit	1654
Examiner Name	Jeffrey E. Russel
Attorney Docket Number	70025-02-US02

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application entitled MELANOCORTIN METALLOPEPTIDE CONSTRUCTS, COMBINATORIAL LIBRARIES AND APPLICATIONS.

Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

1. X Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on March 3, 2005.
2. X Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on March 3, 2005.
3. X A check in the amount of \$395.00 is attached to pay the RCE filing fee required under C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
4. X **The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge any fees set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.16 through 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 13-4213.**
5. X A Petition for Extension of Time in the prior application ( pages ) is enclosed along with a check in the amount of \$60.00 to pay the extension fee.
6. X Fee Transmittal (1 pg.).
7. X Application Transmittal (1 pg.).
8. X Postcard Receipt.

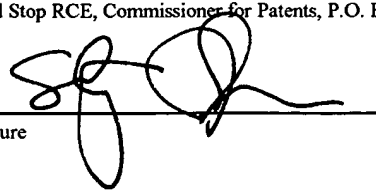
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**CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.10:** The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as Express Mail Label No. EV535091164US addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 3rd day of May, 2005.

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